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## **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences in response to final rejection of Claims 7-10 and 15-17 as set forth by the Examiner in the Office Action dated December 2, 2003.

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account 07-1725 for the \$330.00 fee for the Notice of Appeal.

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